Morton Grove Public Library

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From the Librarian's desk . . . .

The subject of taxes is often in the news, and while taxes affect us all, the important question is not "how much tax do I pay?", but rather "what do I get in return for my taxes?" The average Morton Grove resident paid just $29.31 in taxes for library service last year. What do you get for $29.31?

Over 127,000 books, 400 magazine subscriptions, 6,200 records, tapes, and compact discs . . . and virtually all can be checked out with your library card.

And that's only the beginning! Many children's programs and classes are offered, from pre-school story hours to creative writing classes. Programs for adults are varied and appeal to many tastes. Look through this *INFO* to see what I mean.

Other services abound. Need a copy of a magazine article? We can provide it. Want to investigate a hot stock tip? We have the sources. Need the services of a notary public, the use of an electric typewriter, or an Apple //e computer? Just stop by! (But call first for notary service or computer time.)

Last year, the Reference staff received over 5,400 reference questions covering every imaginable topic. Call us with your question — if we can't answer it, we'll refer you to someone who can.

The average price of a hardcover book is well over $20.00, so by reading just two books you have recouped your entire tax investment; everything beyond that is pure profit! That's why the Morton Grove Public Library is truly the best bargain in town!

Paul Feil
Executive Librarian

Library co-sponsors Lyric Opera lectures . . . .

The Morton Grove Public Library and the Skokie Valley Chapter of the Lyric Opera will sponsor two opera lectures at the Library before the opening of the Fall Lyric Opera Season.

Verdi's ***Il Trovatore*** will be discussed by John Quaid on Sunday, September 13 at 2:00, and Philip Glass's ***Satyagraha***, which will have its Lyric Opera premiere this season, will be discussed by Barbara Roseman on Sunday, September 27, at 2:00.

Both speakers are members of the Skokie Valley Chapter and will illustrate their lectures with recorded music. Refreshments will be served following the programs. Everyone is invited to the discussions to gain a greater understanding and enjoyment of these two operas.

. . . . and an Operatic Book Review

As an additional celebration of the Fall Lyric Opera season, Barbara Todd will review ***Beverly***, the captivating autobiography of soprano Beverly Sills, the diva and impresario of the New York City Opera Company, on Sunday, September 20, at 2:30 and again on Thursday, September 24, at 7:30.

The story of Beverly Sills is humorous and upbeat, despite personal tragedies and professional frustrations. Her glorious voice and salty personality took the country and the world by storm, and hers is a tale of hard work, hope and survival.

Special films

In honor of the 200th anniversary of the United States Constitution, the Library will present the historic musical film ***1776*** on Thursday, September 17 (Constitution Day) at 2:30 and 7:30.

This inspiring story of the creation of our Declaration of Independence includes a great cast and will stir the heart and mind of every American. Both children and adults are welcome to come and enjoy this brilliant and witty film.

In addition, the Lunchtime Movies programs on Sept. 22, Oct. 6, and Oct. 27 will include episodes from the BBC/Time-Life television series ***America***, narrated by Alistair Cooke.

Special Note!

The Library will be closed Monday, September 7, for Labor Day. The Library will re-open on Sundays beginning Sept. 13th.

Hands on Chicago

Kenan Heise, Chicago author and historian, will speak on *Hands on Chicago*, a book he wrote with Mark Frazel, on Wed., Sept. 16, at 7:30.

Mr. Heise is a researcher on Chicago history and is staff writer and editor for the *Chicago Tribune*, and columnist for *Chicago* magazine. For 17 years he was the editor of *Action Line* in the *Tribune*. He and his wife run **Chicago Historical Bookworks**, a rare books store in Evanston which specializes in the works of Chicago writers. He has written seven other books, several of which have won awards.

From the Library Board

The Morton Grove Public Library has numerous regular users who are already aware of the Library's many services. But, to the Morton Grove residents who have never visited their Library, I would like to extend a personal invitation to drop in and see the treasures it holds. Your library has a reputation for its comfort, collection, and competent staff. It is a place to go for a change of pace while relaxing from the everyday humdrum

Why not drop in and ask questions? And be sure to bring your children – we have a large Children's Library just for them. Please remember: "You don't belong to the Library — the Library belongs to you!"

I would also like to thank John Golata for his dedicated service as President of the Library Board during the past two years. John has served on the Board for six years and continues on the Board as a Trustee.

Dick Gieras
President, Board of Library Trustees

Fall adult films

Once again, the latest in film entertainment will be shown ***free of charge*** at the Library this Fall. Both of the following films will be shown at 2:30 and 7:30.

On. Mon., Sept. 14, the great jazz film ***Round Midnight*** will be shown, starring Dexter Gordon and Herbie Hancock. Then, on Mon., Oct. 12, the hilarious Neil Simon comedy, ***Brighton Beach Memoirs***, will be shown, starring Jonathan Silverman and Blythe Danner.

Travelogues

Sunny Portugal and southern France will be visited in a slide travelogue on Tues., Sept. 8, at 11:30 and 7:30. Dr. Walter Kramer, a world traveler and resident of Niles, will narrate his personal journey to these two beautiful countries.

On Tues., Oct. 13, a visit to Greece will be conducted by Mary Koutouvidis of the Greek National Tourist Agency. She will show films at 11:30 and 7:30.

Art exhibit

The Library is pleased to exhibit the watercolor artistry of **Ruth Yehl Halliday** in the Baxter Room during September and October. Mrs. Halliday is a member of the Yehl family of Morton Grove and is well known on the North Shore for her watercolor landscapes and floral still-lifes. She has also taught fashion illustration at the Art Institute of Chicago and now free-lances in her Wilmette studio.

In the Baxter Room . . .

Elderhostel
The Lunchtime Movies program on Oct. 6 will feature slides and discussion about an Elderhostel at the Art Institute of Chicago. Sol Newman will be the speaker, and the program will be presented at 11:30 and 7:30.

Interior Decorating
If your home needs a little lift this Fall, come and hear Karen O'Connor and Camille Sullivan, interior decorators, speak on *Steps into Decorating* on Thursday, Oct. 8, at 7:30.

Antiques
James Mowrey, owner of the Pennsylvania Dutchman Shop in Chicago, will present a lecture on antiques on Thursday, Oct. 29, at 7:30. Audience members may bring their own antique objects for evaluation and discussion.

Money for College
Bill Breihan from College Foresights, specialists in college financial planning, will speak Wed., Oct. 14, at 7:30 on financial aid forms, direct student loans, work study, and other programs to help with the staggering cost of a college eduation.

Sports Injuries & Back Problems
A discussion of sports-related injuries, back problems, stress, and strain will be presented by Dr. Kevin Moore, a chiropractic physician, on Wed., Oct. 21 at 7:30.

Home Buyers' Seminar
If you want to buy a new home and are confused by the various mortgages, loans, and interest rates, you may benefit from our Home Buyers' Seminar to be conducted by Shirley Franke from DMR Financial Services. The seminar will be Wed., Sept. 23, at 7:30.

The following groups meet monthly or semi-monthly at the library:

Make Today Count – 1st Monday, 7:30

Quilters – 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:00

Agoraphobia Group – 3rd Tuesday, 7:00

Toastmasters – 2nd & 4th Wednesday, 7:30

Morton Grove Coin Club - 3rd Monday, 7:00

Lupus Support Group - 3rd Sunday, 1:30

Anyone is welcome to attend any of these meetings.

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Children's Department

Children's Programs

The Fall sessions of children's classes will begin **October 19**, and registration will start **September 14** for Morton Grove residents, and Sept. 21 for non-residents.

Library Playtime for 2 Year Olds & Parents
October 22 through December 11
Please choose one of the following:
Thurs. 10:00am
Friday 10:00am
Class limit – 12 and 12 parents

Creative Writing
October 19 through December 10
Grades 3-6 Wednesday 4:00pm
or Thursday 4:00pm
Class limit - 30

Arts & Crafts
October 19 through December 11
Grades 1-3 . . . . .Monday 4:00pm
Grades 4-6 . . . . .Friday 4:00pm
Class limit – 15

Stories & Stuff
October 19 through December 7
Grades 1-2 Monday 7:00pm
Class limit – 12

Pre-School Story Hour
October 19 through December 10
Please choose one of the following times for children ages 3-Kindergarten
Monday 1:00pm
Tuesday 10:00am
Wednesday 10:00am
Thursday 7:00pm
Class limit – 40

NEW!! Large-type books for children

Reading Program Awards

Reading certificates and prizes for participants in the *Children's Summer Reading Program* will be presented on Saturday, September 12, at 2:00 in the Baxter Room. Children and their parents are invited to attend.

Baby-Sitting Workshop

The Fall Baby-Sitting Workshop will begin on Friday, October 9, at 4:00, and registration will begin on Friday, September, 25. The class is open to 6th graders and above and will be conducted by Lt. Richard Meier of the Morton Grove Fire Dept. The five-week workshop will conclude November 6.

What's New in the Adult Department . . .

Fiction

Brooks, Maggie – *Heavenly Deception*
Corman, Avery – *50*
Elmblad, Mary – *All Manner of Riches*
Gardner, Mary – *Keeping Warm*
Grimes, Martha – *Five Bells and Bladebone*
Hardy, Ronald – *Wings of the Wind*
Heywood, Joseph – *The Berkut*
Lewerth, Margaret – *Stuyvesant Square*
O'Neill, Timothy – *Shades of Gray*
Raskin, Barbara – *Hot Flashes*
Safire, William – *Freedom*

The Library purchases over 500 new items every month. These are just a few that we think you might be interested in.

Non-Fiction

Batra, Ravi – *The Great Depression of 1990*
Chess, Stella – *Know Your Child*
Davis, Gwynne – *Overcoming Food Allergies*
Gallup, George Jr. – *The American Catholic People*
Garfinkel, Irwin – *Single Mothers and their Children*
Gong, Victor – *Aids - Facts and Issues*
Heise, Kenan – *Hands on Chicago*
Klott, Gary – *Complete Guide to Personal Investing*
National Directory of Free Tourist Attractions
Powell, Barbara – *Good Relationships are Good Medicine*
Spark, Muriel – *Mary Shelley: a Biography*
Viorst, Milton – *Sands of Sorrow - Israel's Journey from Independence*

Videos

Travelogs: France, Britain, Germany, and Russia
Operas: *Tosca, Otello, La Boheme, Il Trovatore*
Recreation: *Course Strategy* and *Mastering the Fundamentals* (Arnold Palmer); *Golf My Way* (Jack Nicklaus); *Callanetics*
Business: *Understanding Wall Street; Video Guide to Investor's Daily*
Feature Films: *Children of a Lesser God; Color of Money; Color Purple; Ferris Bueller's Day Off; Hannah and Her Sisters; Mosquito Coast; Peggy Sue Got Married; Room With a View*
Children's Films: *Babar Comes to America; Boy Who Could Fly; Mother Goose Treasury; Rumpelstiltskin*

Compact Discs

Herman, Woody - *World Class*
Humperdinck, Englebert - *Greatest Hits*
John, Elton - *Greatest Hits*
Monk, Thelonious - *Brilliant Corners*
Round Midnight (sound track)
Sinatra, Frank - *September of My Years*
Vollenweider, Andreas - *Down to the Moon*
XTC - *Skylarking*

Calendar of Events

September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Lunchtime Movies 11:30	2	3	4	5
6	7 *Labor Day* Library Closed	8 Travelog **Portugal & France** 11:30 & 7:30	9	10	11 Book Discussion 10:00	12 Summer Reading Program Awards 2:00
13 Opera Lect.: ***Il Trovatore*** 2:00	14 ***Round Midnight*** 2:30 & 7:30	15 Lunchtime Movies 11:30	16 **Hands on Chicago 7:30**	17 ***1776*** 2:30 & 7:30	18	19
20 Book Review ***Beverly*** 2:30	21	22 Lunchtime Movies America Series 11:30 & 7:30	23 **Home Buyers' Seminar** 7:30	24 Book Review ***Beverly*** 7:30	25	26
27 Opera Lect.: ***Satyagraha*** 2:00	28	29 Lunchtime Movies 11:30	30			

October

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				1	2	3
4	5	6 **Elderhostel** Lunchtime Movies America Series 11:30 & 7:30	7	8 **Interior Decorating** 7:30	9 Book Discussion 10:00 Baby-Sitting Workshop 4:00	10
11	12 ***Brighton Beach Memoirs*** 2:30 & 7:30	13 Travelog **Greece** 11:30 & 7:30	14 **Money for College** 7:30	15	16 Baby-Sitting Workshop 4:00	17
18	19	20 Lunchtime Movies 11:30	21 **Sports Injuries & Back Problems** 7:30	22	23 Baby-Sitting Workshop 4:00	24
25	26	27 Lunchtime Movies America Series 11:30 & 7:30	28	29 **Antiques** 7:30	30 Baby-Sitting Workshop 4:00	31

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Friday 9:00 - 6:00
Saturday 9:00 - 5:00
Sunday 1:00 - 5:00 (Sept. - May)

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